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Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110
Washington, D.C. 20002

SUBJ:

Request for Waiver

CC Docket No. 96-45, CC Docket No. 02-6

Elizabeth Public Schools, entity number 122796 Applicant's Form Identifier—Year 10 471-2 (Long Distance) Form 471 Application Number 575111

Due to a sudden illness and unplanned surgical procedure of our employee for E-rate operations, we missed the filing deadline for the Year 10 471 for Long Distance Service. This service would impact 21,214 students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 in 39 buildings.

Long Distance service is critical to our District's ability to communicate with parents, the State Department of Education, and our various venders who provide services, equipment, and support for our educational programs.

We respectfully request you waive the filing deadline for the above referenced Form 471-2 (Long Distance).

Sincerely,

Susan Mettlen, Ed.D.

Director, Technology and Information Systems

Elizabeth Public Schools

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### **FUNDING YEAR 2007 FORM 471** POSTMARKED OUTSIDE OF WINDOW

June 29, 2007

William Di Pinto ELIZABETH SCHOOL DISTRICT 500 NORTH BROAD STREET ELIZABETH, NJ 07208-3302

Re: Applicant's Form Identifier: Year 10 471-2 (Long Distance) Form 471 Application Number: 575111

Dear William Di Pinto:

We're sending this letter to thank you for your recent Form 471 application. Ye Form 471 application was postmarked on 04/30/2007, which is AFTER the 2007-2008 filing window closed at 11:59 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 8, 2007.

Program rules require us to hold your application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the filing window. We will post an announcement on the USAC website at www.usac.org/sl once we determine if funding applications that were submitted within the application filing window will fully utilize all the funds available for this Funding Year.

For more information about the processing of pending applications, about funding for applications filed after the close of the filing window or about plans for future Funding Years, please visit our website or call the Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

### TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision indicated in this letter, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

- Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and (if available) email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
- 2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the decision letter and the decision you are appealing:

- Appellant name,

- Applicant name,

- BEN,

- Application number 575111 as assigned by USAC,
   "Funding Year 2007 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter," AND
- The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.
- 3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
- 4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are a service provider, please

provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.

5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email to appeals@sl.universalservice.org. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to us by fax, fax your appeal to (973)599-6542.

To submit your appeal to us on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit 100 South Jefferson Road P.O. Box 902 Whippany, NJ 07981

You have the option of filing an appeal with USAC or with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the above date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in the "Appeals Procedure" posted on our website. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

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